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SUBJECT Yugoslav-Hungarian Border Area Near Mohacs

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7. The maximum temperature in the summer is 20-30 degrees centigrade while the winters are not too cold. The lowest temperature in winter is 15-20 degrees centigrade.

8. Most of the people in this area are Hungarians, some are Yugoslavs [sic] but very few. Most of the people are Roman Catholic and a few are Protestants. Most of them are farmers. The farms have not been collectivized. The farmers and individuals who were not too trustworthy were moved into the interior of Hungary leaving many vacant farmhouses in the area. The Border Guards do not systematically investigate these empty farmhouses but they do drop in out of personal curiosity. Most of the farmers are quiet peaceful types of individuals. Very few of the people in this area are Communists but cooperate with the policies imposed upon them.

9. Very few escapes took place in this area because few people wanted to go to Yugoslavia. many Hungarians had crossed into Yugoslavia to spy in that area. 25X1

10. Strangers in the area would be taking a chance in asking for help. One person may help a stranger and another may turn him in. The people were offered rewards of from 300 to 500 forints for turning a person in. If a Border Guard turned in a person, he would receive a few hundred forints as a reward including six-seven days furlough and a present of a cigarette case or some such item.

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12. There were no special economic controls in this area except that if the people met the farm quotas set for them, they received discount slips enabling them to purchase goods at discount prices. If they failed to meet the quotas set, their taxes were increased so drastically that eventually the farmer lost his farm. No organized assistance to help evaders existed in this area.

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14. Some of the Border Guard personalities in this area are as follows:

a. Istvan Szomoja, 2nd Lt 25X1

b. Istvan Rose, 2nd Lt

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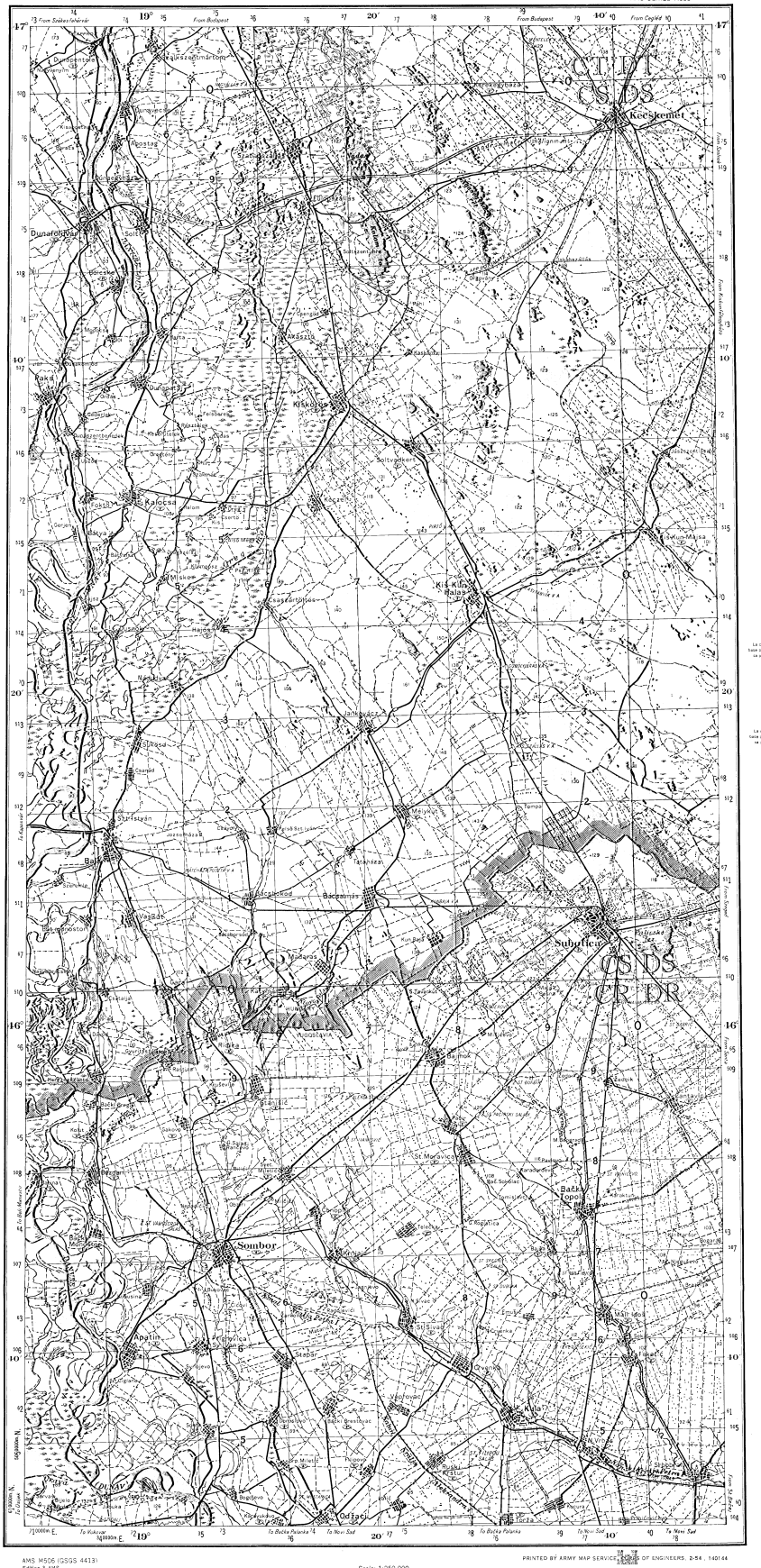
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